



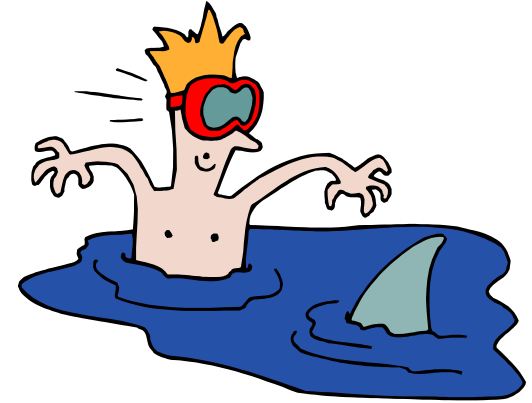
# Utah Department of Agriculture & Food



Pesticide Applicators  
Continuing Education

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# What is a CEU?



- A CEU is a small creature that lives in a dark hole for 11 months of the year!
- CEU's only come out during the month of December, even though the CEU hunting season lasts 12 months.
- CEU's cannot be traded for plumbing work!
- Excess CEU's cannot be sold at the end of the license period.

# How Many CEU's Do I Need?

- Commercial & Non-Commercial Applicators
  - 4 Credits in Laws
  - 10 Credits in Safety
  - 10 Credits in Use Management
  - 24 Total Credits



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Updated CEU Requirements  
For Commercial/Non-Commercial  
Applicators

### Minimum Hours:

- 2 Credits in Laws
- 6 Credits in Safety
- 10 Credits in Use

**24 Total Credits**



# How Many CEU's Do I Need?

- Private Applicators
  - 2 Credits in Laws
  - 3 Credits in Safety
  - 4 Credits in Use Management
  - 9 Total Credits



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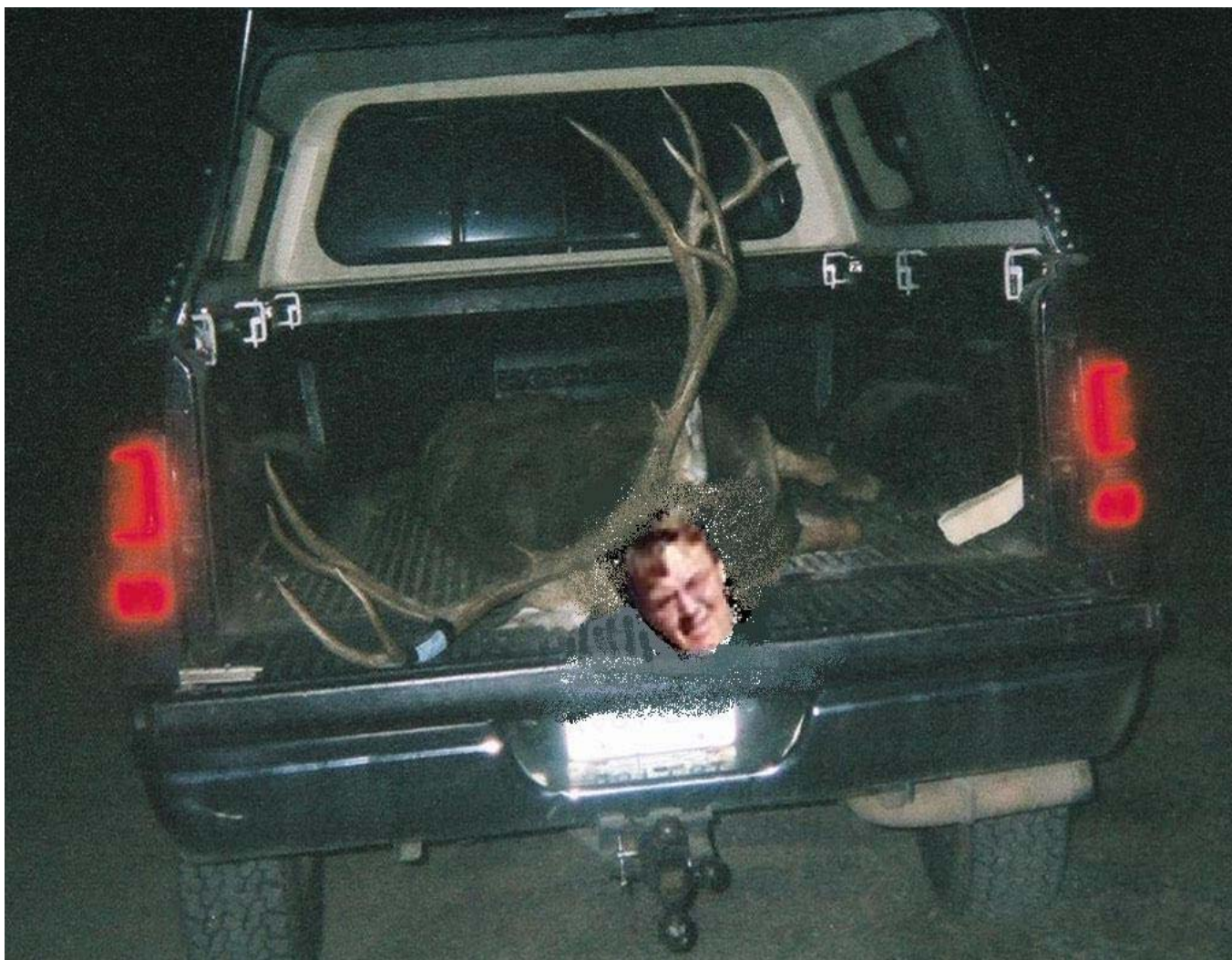




# Where Do You Find The #@\$% Things?

- UDAF Workshops
- Grower Meetings
- Supplier Meetings
- UDAF Website
  - <http://www.ag.utah.gov>

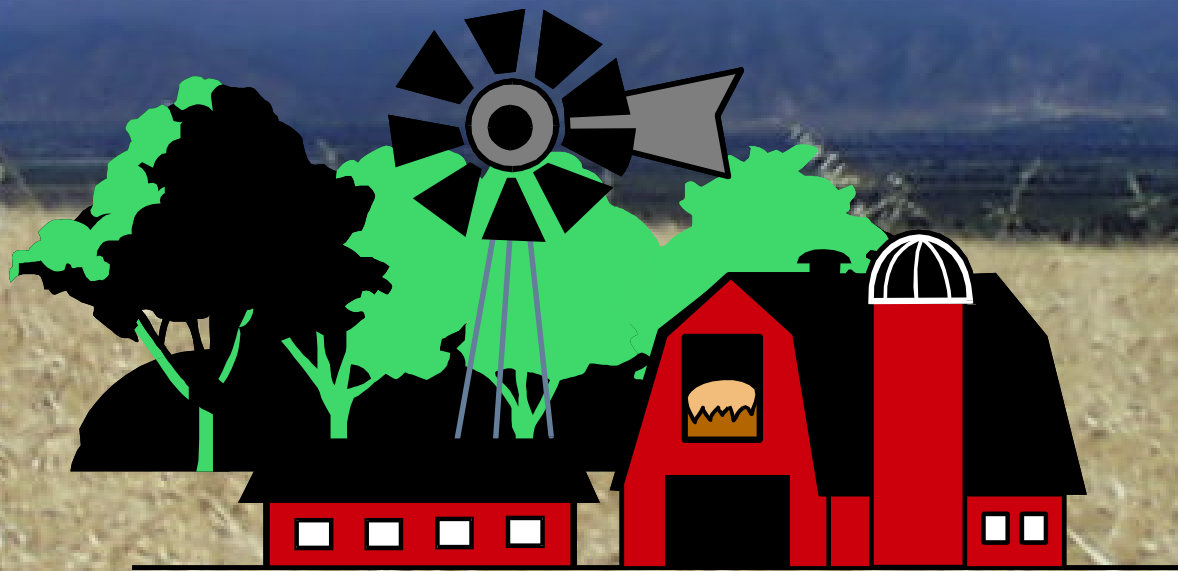








# GROUND WATER PESTICIDE PROGRAM

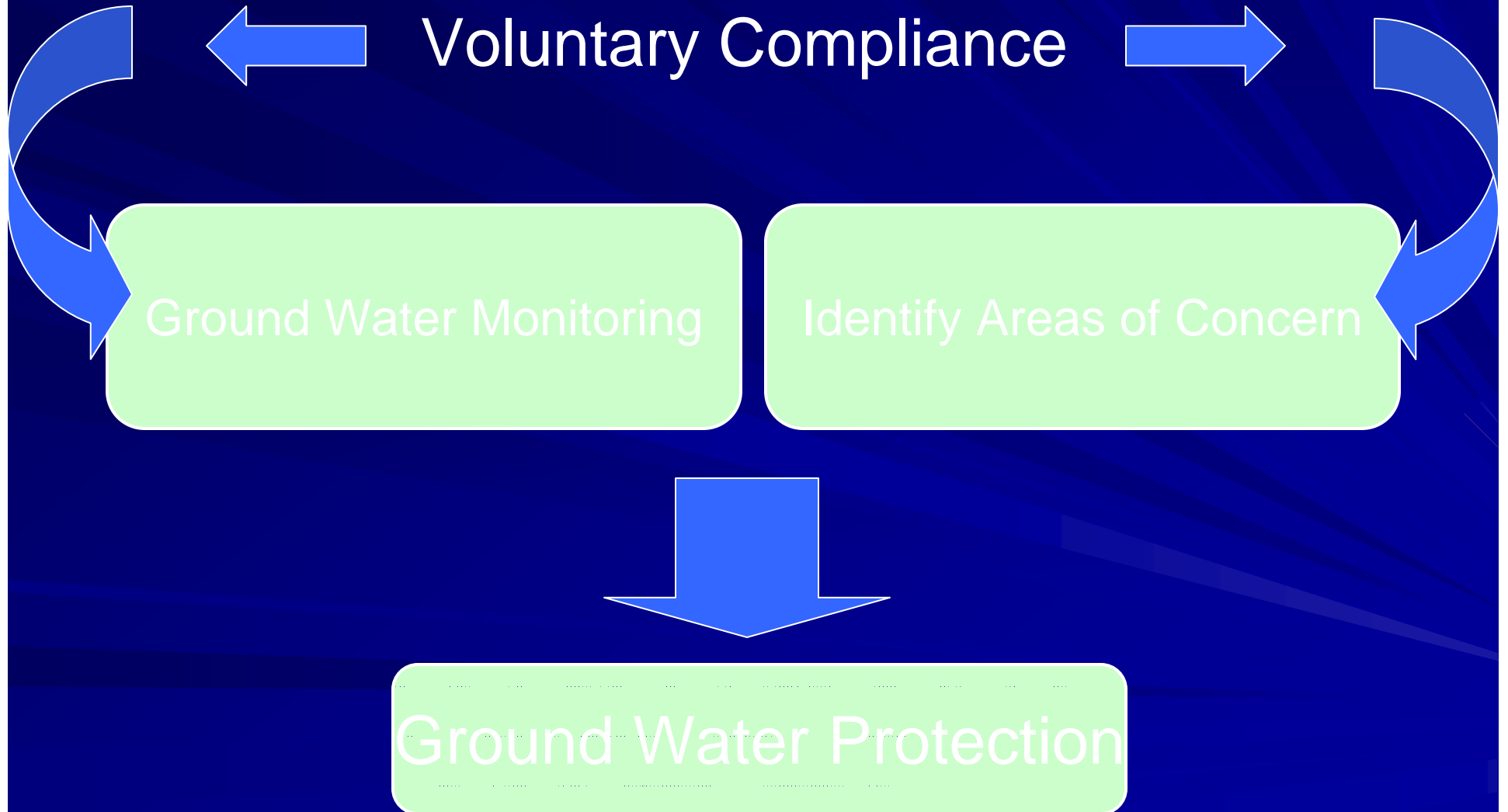


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# Utah's Ground Water Strategy



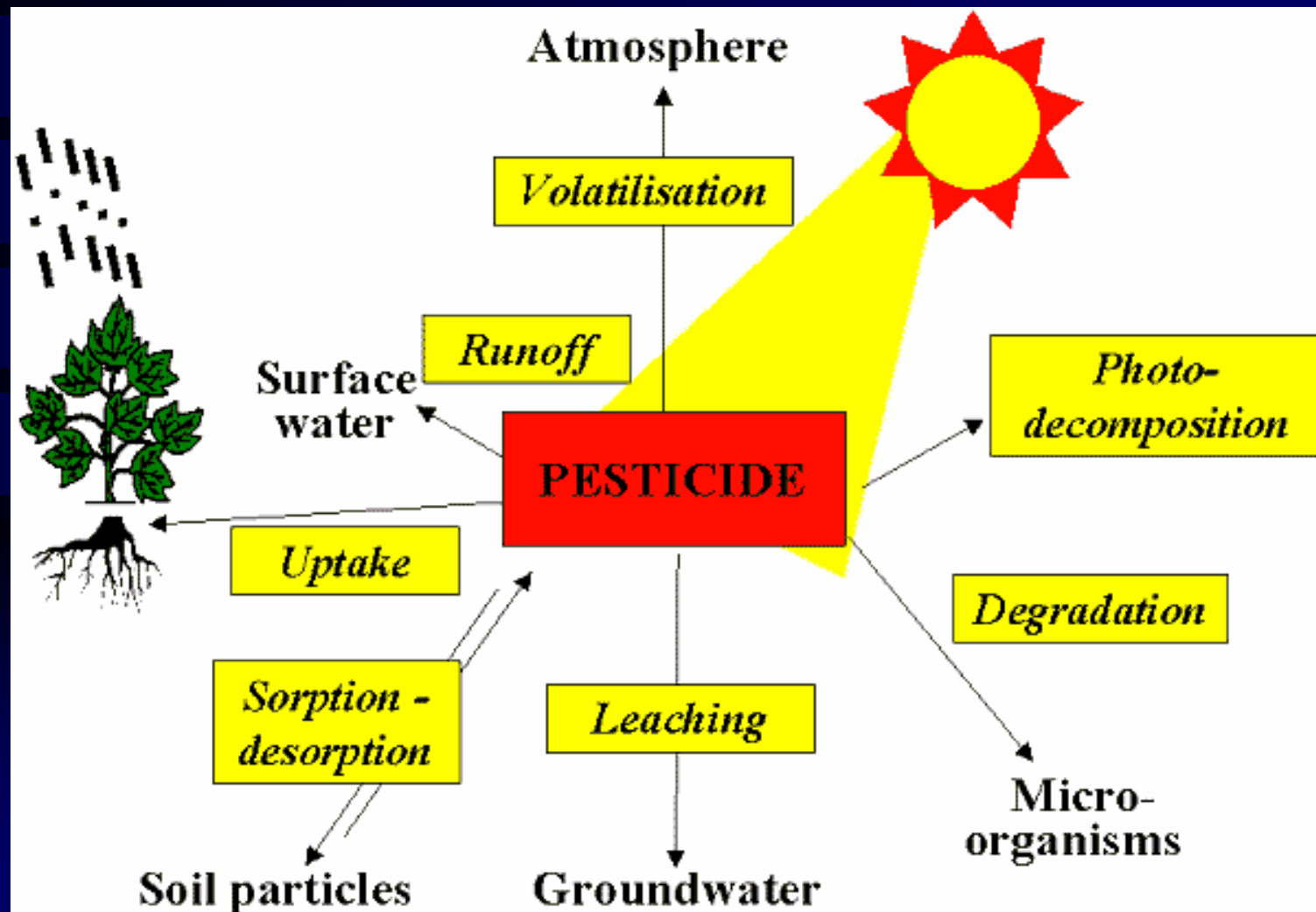
# Utah Ground Water Pesticide Management Plan (PMP)

## ■ Identifies 5 “Pesticides of Concern”

- Alachlor
- Atrazine
- Cyanazine
- Metolachlor
- Simazine

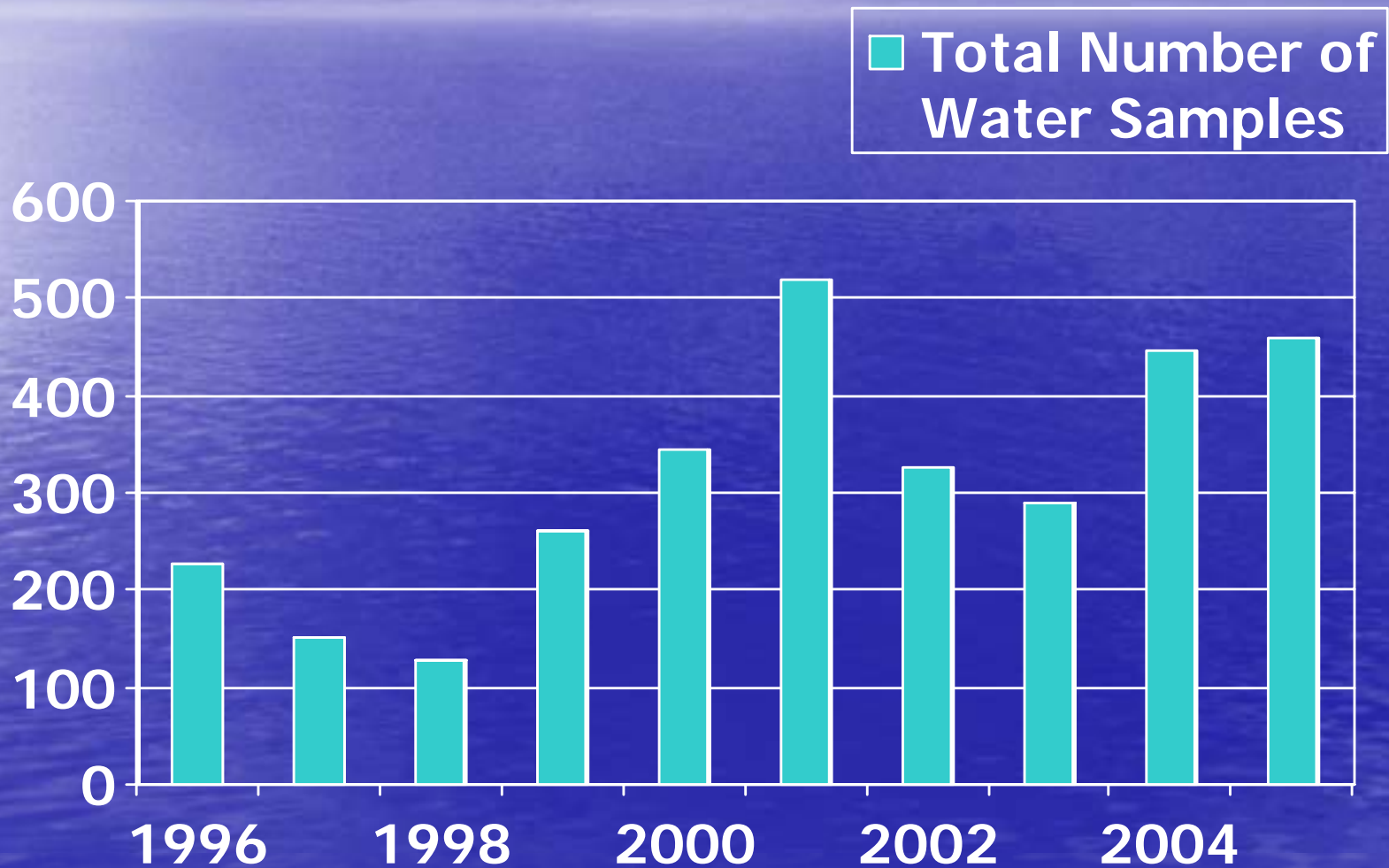


# Life Cycle of a Pesticide

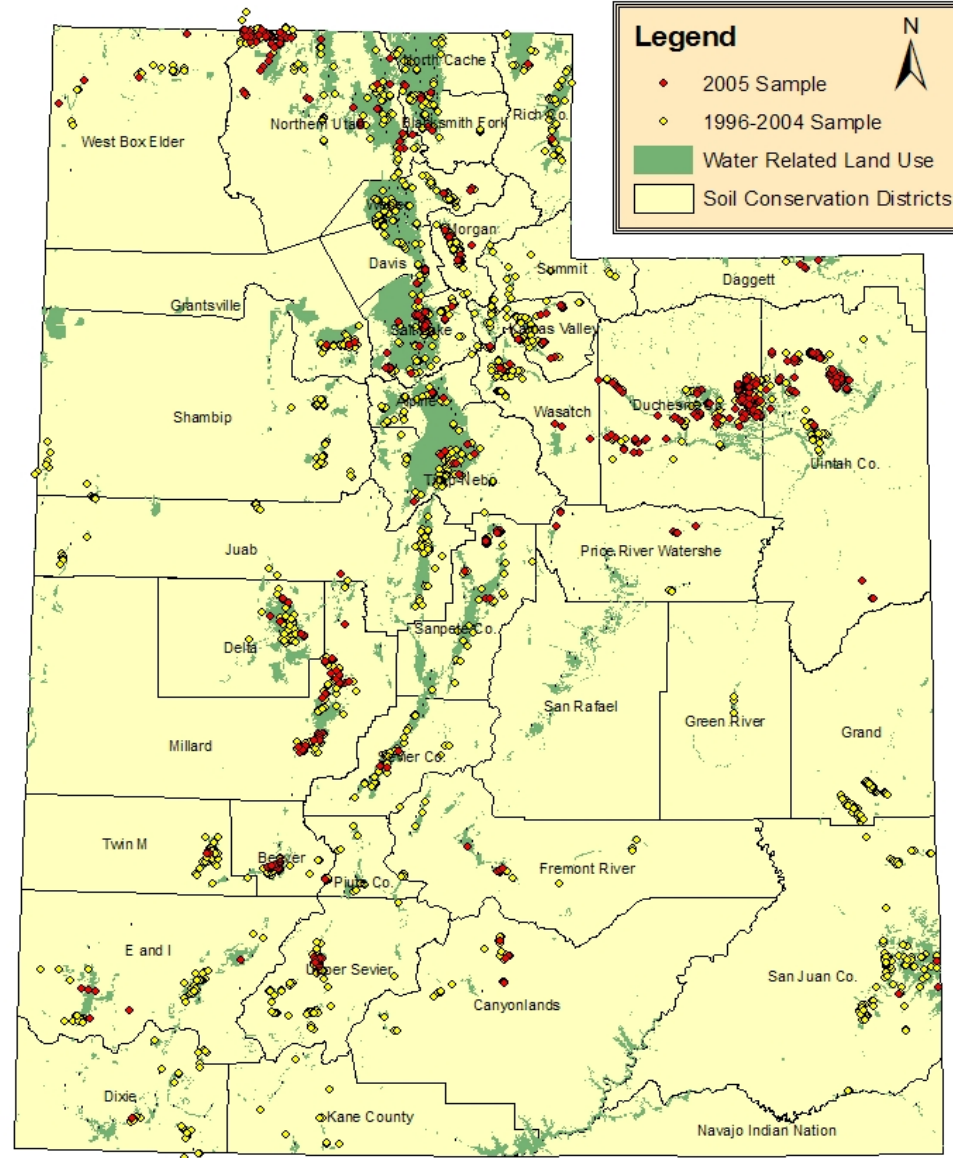




# UDAF Ground Water Program Sampling History



# GROUND WATER SAMPLING 1996-2005



# Units of Measurement:

- parts per million = milligrams per kilogram (mg / kg)
  - 1 oz of sand in 31 tons of cement
  - 1 square foot in 23 acres
  - 1 minute in 695 days
- parts per billion = micrograms per kilogram ( $\mu$ g / kg)
  - 1 square foot in 36 square miles
  - 1 pinch of salt in 10 tons of potato chips
  - 1 inch in a 160,000 mile trip
- parts per trillion = nanograms per kilogram (ng / kg)
  - 1 square inch in 250 square miles
  - 1 second in 320 centuries or 11,574,074 days
  - 1 postage stamp in an area the size of Texas

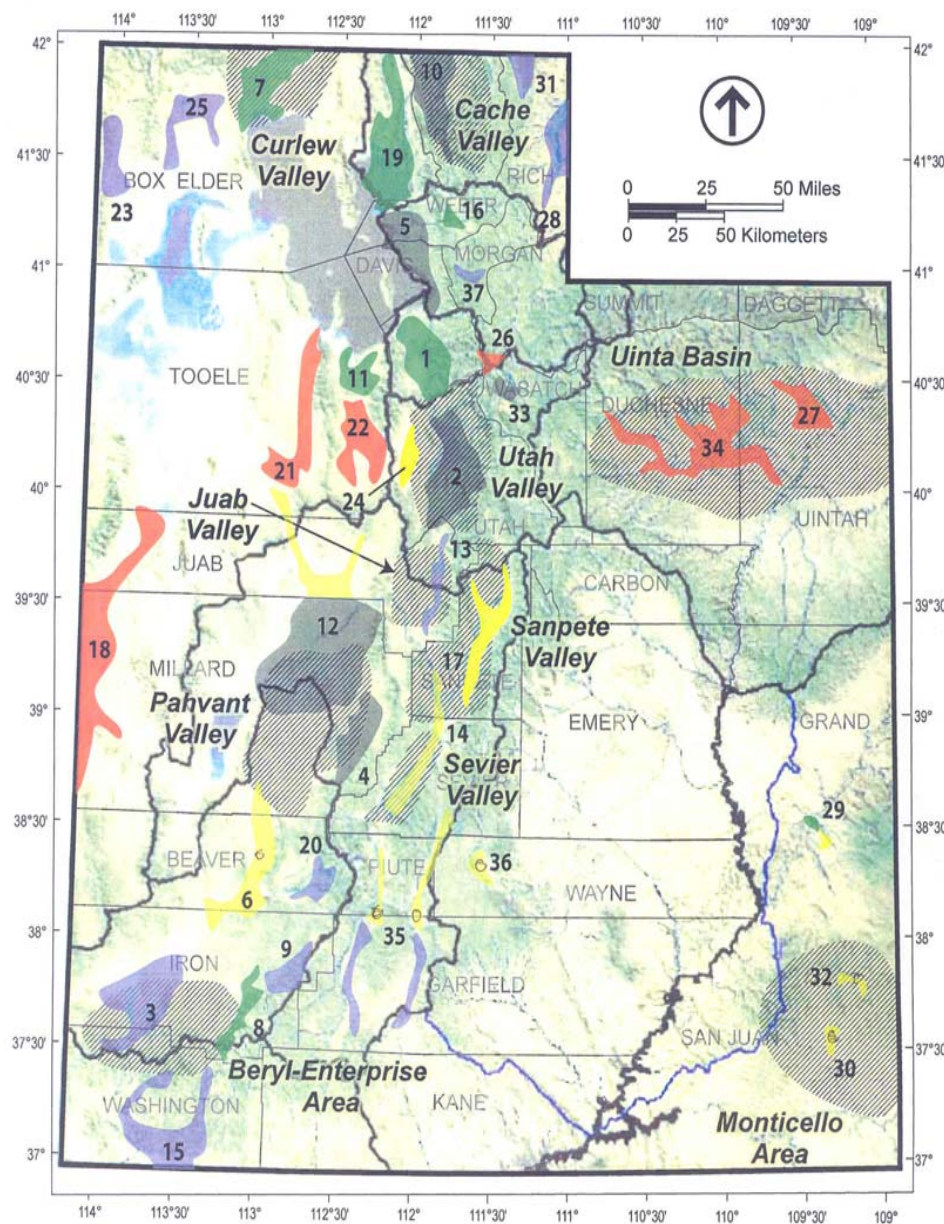
# Estimating Vulnerability of Ground Water to Pesticides





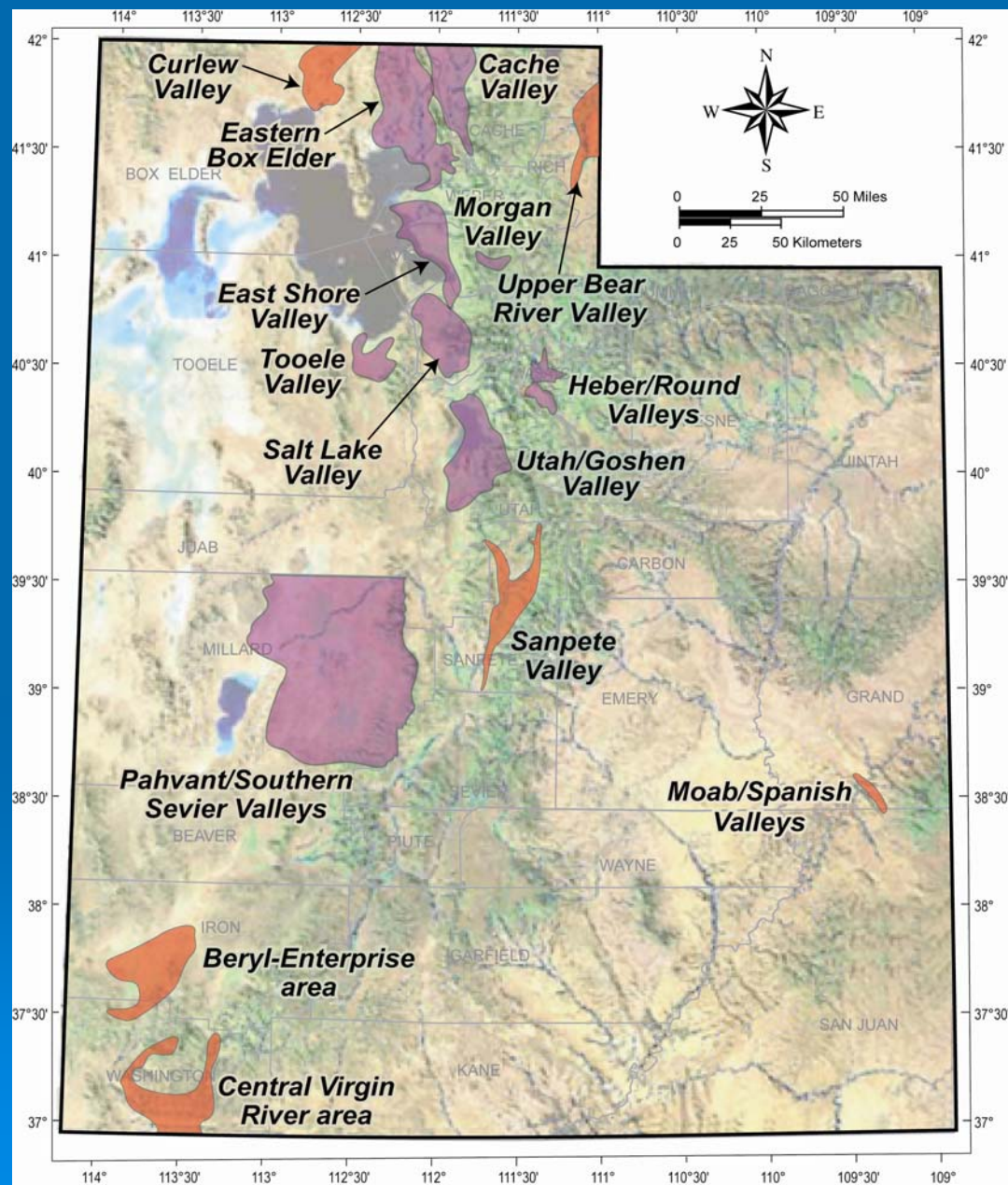


# Proposed Mapping Areas





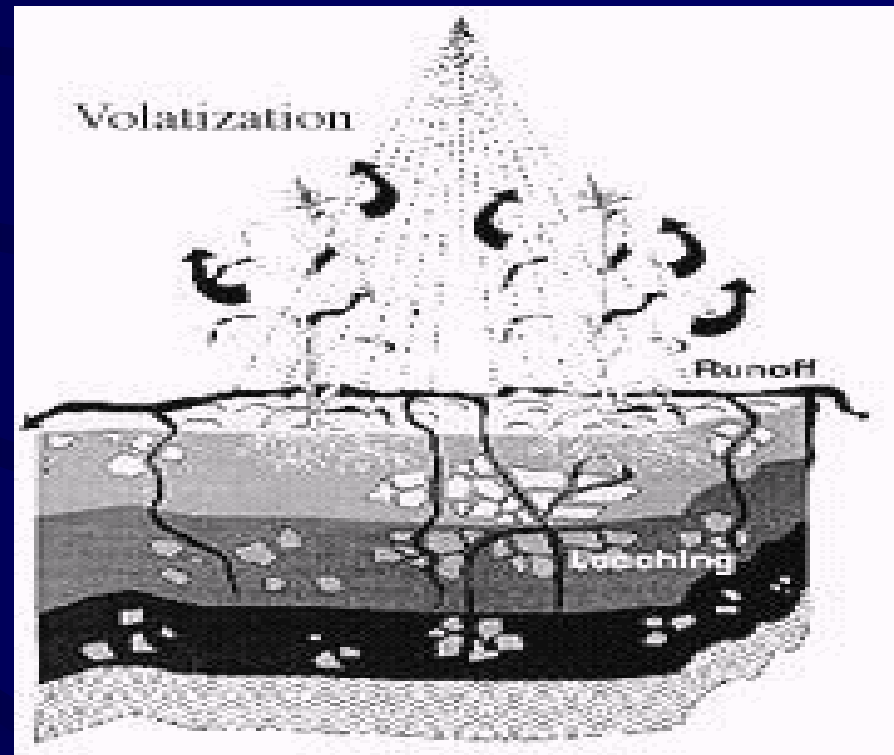
# Completed Projects





# SELECT PESTICIDES CAREFULLY

- Select pesticides that are less likely to leach
- Pesticides that are likely to leach into the groundwater are highly water soluble, relatively persistent and do not absorb to soil.
- Read label carefully
  - rate
  - timing
  - advisories or water protection





# CONSIDER THE VULNERABILITY OF THE SITE

- Determine:
  - soil texture
  - organic matter content
  - permeability
  - depth of water table
  - if sink holes are present
  - surface water runoff
  - some pesticides move readily through soil that is well drained, sandy, or low in organic matter

# DISPOSE OF WASTES CAREFULLY

- Follow all label instructions and restrictions when disposing of chemical containers.
- Triple rinse.
- Don't drain on ground
- Never dispose near water source.



# LEAVE BUFFER ZONES AROUND SENSITIVE AREAS

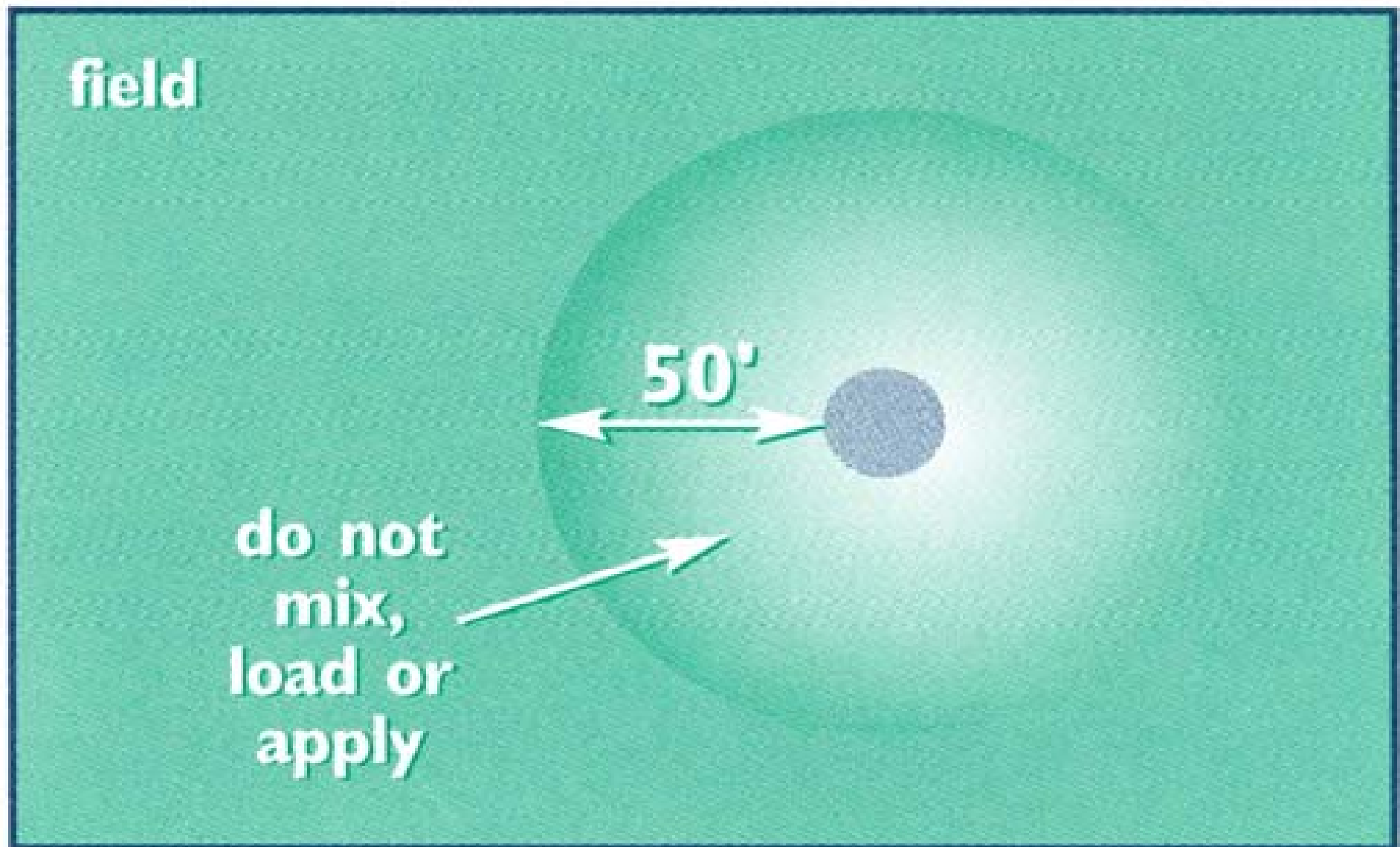
- Consider location of ground water when mixing, applying, storing and disposing pesticides.
- Establish vegetation or leave an untreated border to provide a buffer zone between pesticide and sensitive area.

# EVALUATE THE LOCATION OF WATER SOURCES

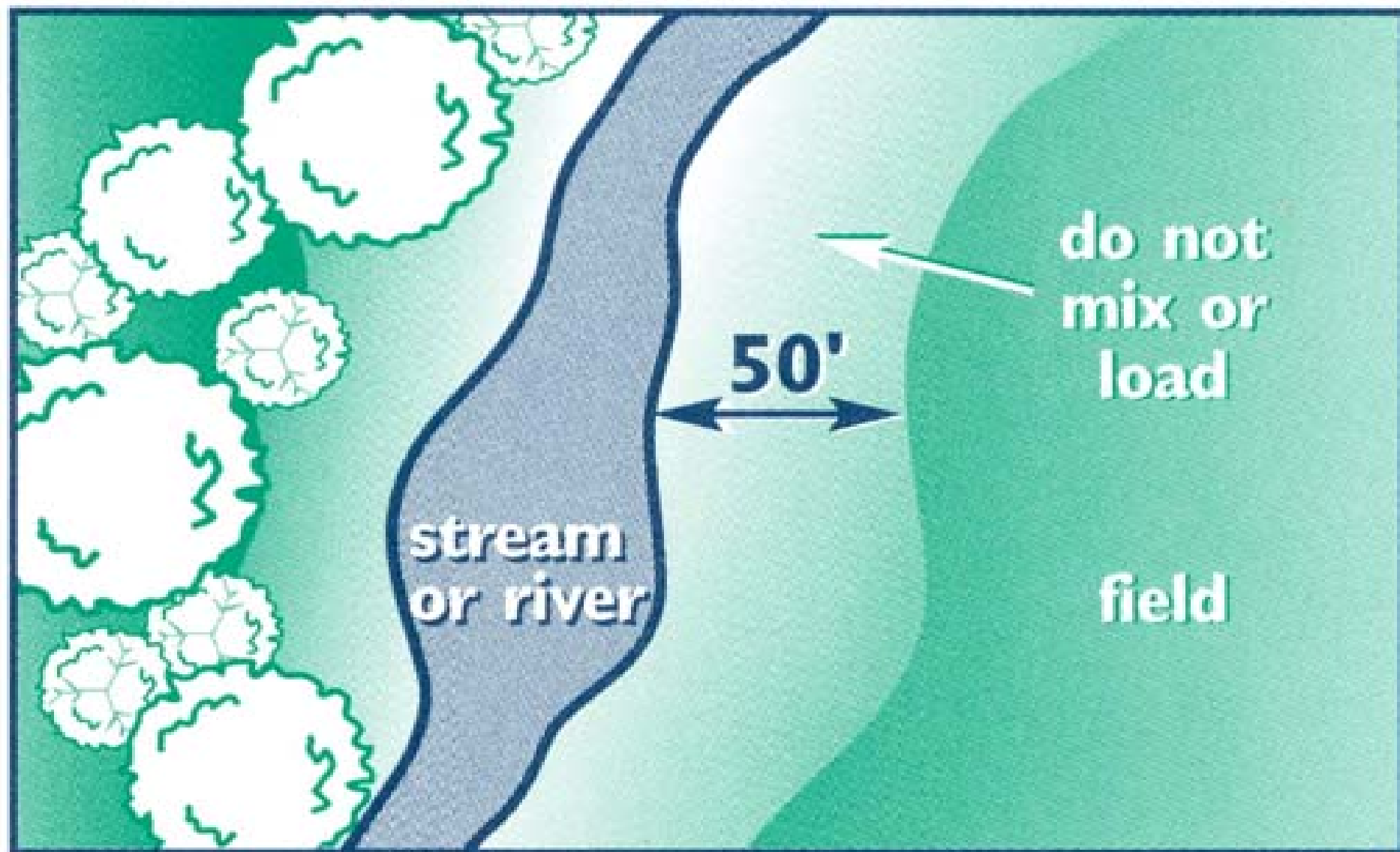
- Locate ground water and surface water
- Make sure wells are protected from spills or runoff
- Avoid mixing ,storing, or disposing of pesticides within 100 or more feet from a well or other water source.



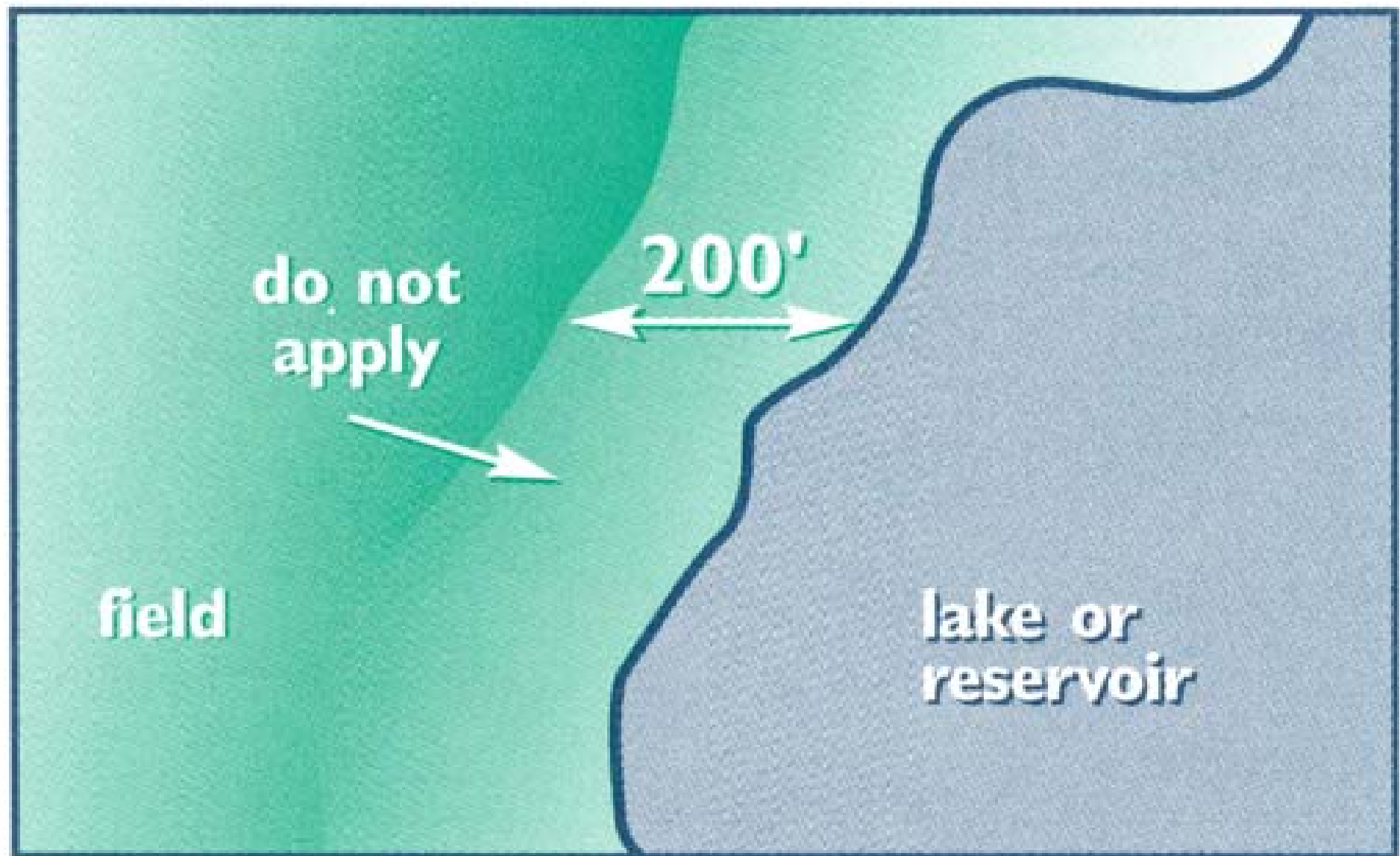
*Do not mix, load or apply atrazine within 50 feet of any well or sinkhole.*



*Do not mix or load atrazine within  
50 feet of any stream or river.*

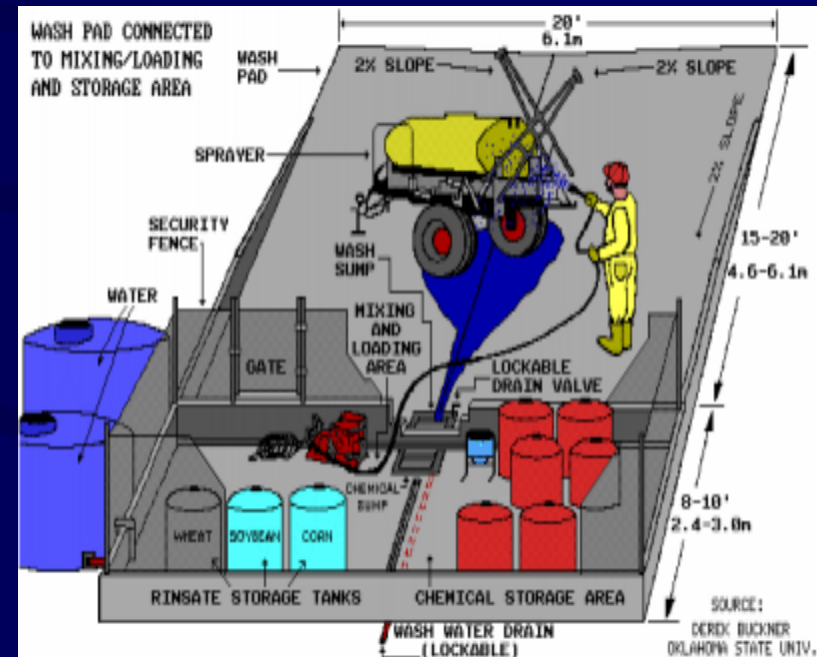


*Do not apply atrazine within 200 feet of any lake or reservoir.*



# MIX AND LOAD CAREFULLY

- When possible, mix and load on a concrete surface
- Fill tank away from water source
- In the field use a long hose or a nurse tank
- Never fill to the top to avoid spray mix from splashing out.
- Never leave unit unattended when filling



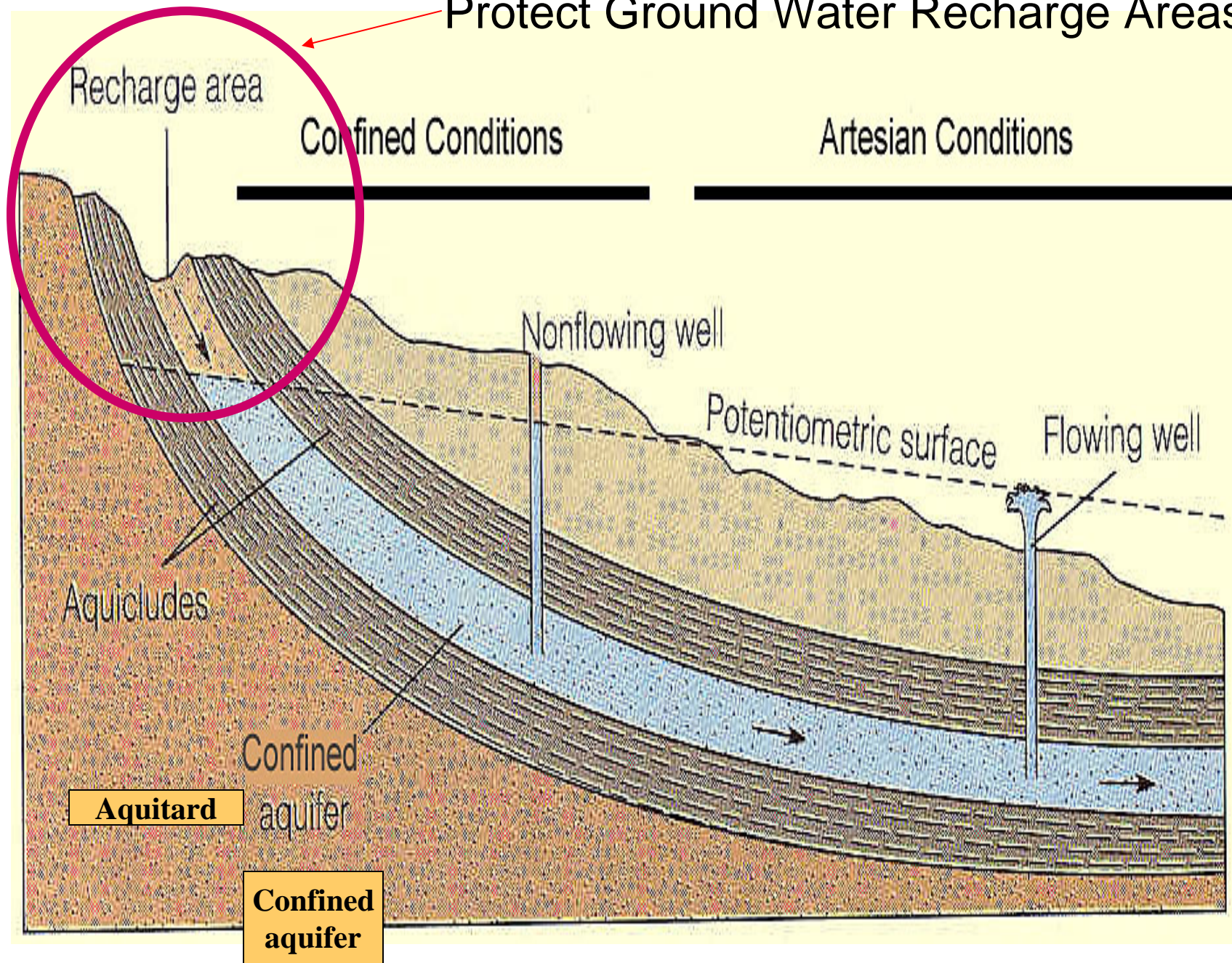


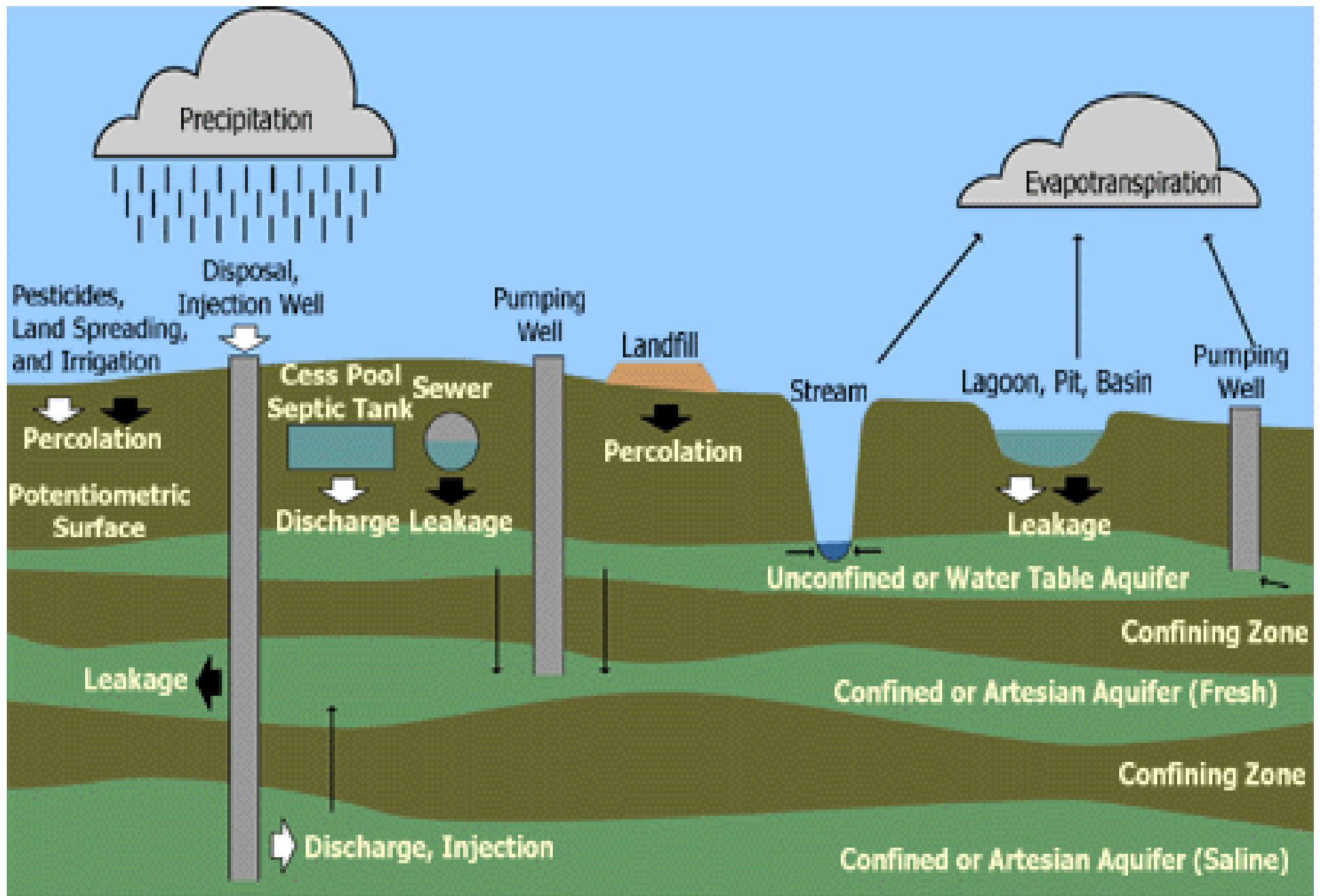
# AREAS OF CONCERN

- Contamination at the Source
- Improper closure of wells



# Protect Ground Water Recharge Areas



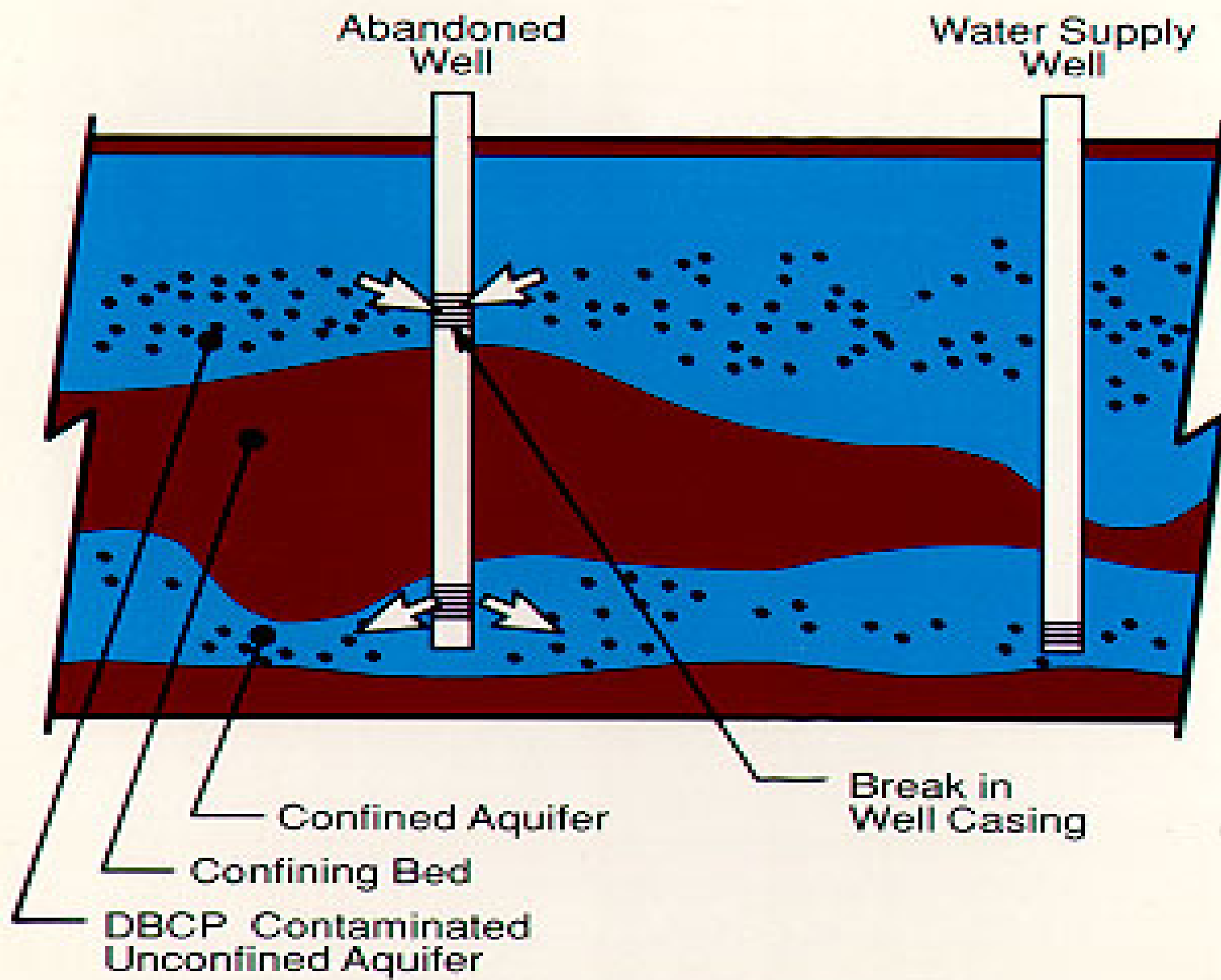


↘ Intentional Input    ➡ Unintentional Input    → Direction of Water Movement









# Improper Abandonment

- This well:
  - 28" diameter
  - 200' depth
  - 100' to water



# Conclusions

- UDAF has found no evidence of pesticide contamination of ground water
- Monitoring should continue:
  - Most intensely in areas of high vulnerability
  - Less intensely in areas of moderate or low vulnerability.
- Maintaining water quality of streams as they enter alluvium-filled valley an essential factor in maintaining ground water quality







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